



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Morell et al.

Title:

POLYPEPTIDES CAPABLE OF FORMING ANTIGEN BINDING

STRUCTURES WITH SPECIFICITY FOR THE RHESUS D ANTIGENS,

THE DNA ENCODING THEM AND THE PROCESS FOR THEIR

PREPARATION AND USE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is a response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003.

Applicants hereby elect Group I for examination. Group I includes claims 22-32, drawn to a Rhesus D antigen-specific antibody with a heavy chain sequence defined by SEQ ID NO: 58 or a functional variant thereof, classified in class 530, subclass 387.5.

Within Group I, Applicants elect the species wherein the VH sequence is that of SEQ ID NO: 58 and the VL sequence is that of SEQ ID NO: 60 for examination.

An early favorable action on the merits is now awaited.

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